

# HARMONY IN IRISH CONVENTION SURE

(By Associated Press.)  
LONDON, June 16.—All the prisoners taken in the Irish rebellion of East Sunday, 1916, will be released without reservation. This announcement was made in the house of commons yesterday by Andrew Bonar Law, who said that the government felt that by so doing it would aid in the success of the approaching Irish convention which the government hoped would effect a reconciliation among Irish political parties can unreservedly join.

Mr. Bonar Law said:  
"The government has given long and anxious consideration to the condition of Irish political prisoners and has arrived at the decision it now becomes my duty to announce."

"It is therefore desirable beyond measure that the Irish convention should meet in an atmosphere of harmony and good will in which all parties can unreservedly join. Nothing could be more regrettable than that the work of the convention should be prejudiced at the outset by embittered association which might even hinder the settlement to which all look forward with hope."

"In these circumstances the government has decided they can not give earnest of the spirit in which they approach the convention than by removing one of the main causes of the serious misunderstanding of this subject with which it is in their power to deal. They have decided, therefore, upon the release without reservation of all prisoners now in confinement in connection with the recent rebellion in Ireland."

"They have not, however, arrived at this decision without careful consideration of two aspects of the case, which it is impossible to ignore. They have satisfied themselves, first, that public security would not be endangered by such an act of grace, and, second, that in none of the cases concerned was participation in the rebellion accompanied by individual acts which would render such a display of clemency impossible."

"In recommending to the king grants of general amnesty to the persons in question, the government has been inspired by the sanguine hope that their action will be welcomed in a spirit of magnanimity and that the convention will enter upon its arduous undertaking in circumstances that will constitute a good augury for the reconciliation which is the desire of all parties in every part of the United Kingdom and the British empire."

Mr. Bonar Law's announcement was received with cheers.

# 2,000,000 TONS OF SHIPPING RELEASED TO THE GOVERNMENT

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, June 16.—The vast amount of steel merchant shipping under construction in American yards, probably 2,000,000 tons, will be taken over immediately by the government under power granted in a provision of the war budget bill signed yesterday by President Wilson.

The announcement was made at a conference of the shipbuilders with the shipping board and its emergency fleet corporation. Shipping now on the yards will be hurried to completion by the institution of a system of double and triple working shifts and when the yards are cleared of present contracts the fleet corporation will begin construction of its great fleet of standardized vessels of steel.

Contracts calling for future construction and on which actual work has not been started probably will be abrogated unless the fleet corporation decides the ships are specifically fitted for the government's needs.

Major General Goethals, general manager of the fleet corporation, told the shipbuilders today that he expected to turn out during the 18 months fully 5,000,000 tons of steel ships and perhaps more. Steel companies, he added, have agreed to furnish enough steel to build 600,000 tons a month.

About 1,000,000 tons of the shipping building in American yards or contracted for is for the British government. The British government has agreed to turn over to the United States voluntarily.

The vessels as fast as built will be chartered by the shipping board to private operators and perhaps in some instances to the allied governments. The shipbuilders were told the government at this time has no intention of taking over the

# RUSSIA A THORN WITH THE ALLIES

WORKMEN, SOLDIERS AND PEASANTS ARE AT SIXES AND SEVENS

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., June 16.—With the approach of the Russian mission continued reiteration of the demand of the council of workmen and soldiers for a statement of the allies peace terms, Russia has become a preoccupying question. Reports indicate that the council of soldiers and workmen's delegates is not so dominating a factor as generally assumed. The body represents only five million of the 150,000,000 people and is confined to the industrial centers. The peasants, who comprise a vast majority, have voiced overwhelmingly for vigorous prosecution of the war.

The business of Russia recently voted practically unanimously for vigorous prosecution of the war. But insistence of the soldiers and workmen's delegates for a declaration shows a lack of confidence which must be swept away before Russia can present a united front.

(By Associated Press.)  
AN ATLANTIC PORT, June 16.—Belgium's official mission to the United States arrived today, headed by Baron Moncheur, former minister to the United States.

# CHICAGO MAYOR PROVES SLACKER

DOES NOT BUY LIBERTY BOND AND INTERFERES WITH CANVASSERS

(By Associated Press.)  
CHICAGO, Illinois, June 16.—Mayor Thompson apparently did not purchase a Liberty Bond. The mayor's backwardness in inviting Joffre to Chicago because "Chicago is the sixth city of the world in German population," lent peculiar interest to his position on the loan. It required four days to get a permit for canvassers to sell bonds in the city. Just before the books closed the mayor admitted to reporters, that he had not bought a bond.

GERMANY MAKES PEACE OVERTURES TO RUSSIA

(By Associated Press.)  
STOCKHOLM, June 16.—The Social Democrat says Germany has made a peace offer to Russia through a member of the Swiss federal council.

# PUTTING THE "YANKEE PUNCH" INTO THE WAR IN EUROPE

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 16.—Plans for making the United States a great elementary training base for aviators of all the allied nations have been formulated by the defense council's air craft production board, which believes this country can supply only machines suited for training work for some months to come, but can take care of the needs of all the allies in that respect. French and British plants under the plan would be released for the manufacture of battle craft exclusively while American plants are developing a battle type which, by next spring probably could give a formidable and steadily increasing addition to the French and English supplies.

The plan to bring all allied aviators to the United States for elementary training is an outgrowth of the enormous expansion of the government's aircraft policy. The original program called only for machines enough to equip American land and naval forces at a cost of about \$75,000,000. The air craft production board now has mapped out a campaign, however, that means an initial appropriation of about \$600,000,000 and an eventual expenditure of probably \$1,000,000,000.

Brigadier General Squier, in charge of army aviation, made it clear that the war department stands back of this campaign, which he said was necessary to "put the Yankee punch into the war."

The American training machine already has been made the standard for all the allies in order that all parts may be interchangeable. While existing American plants are said to be able to supply only ten per cent of the machines wanted, arrangements have been made for the conversion of numerous automobile and other factories for airplane building.

If European aviators are sent to the United States for elementary training, the number of training fields will be increased to a score or more and additional universities will be designated to give technical aviation courses.

PETROLITE'S NAVAL CREW ALL ACCOUNTED FOR

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., June 16.—All of the crew of naval gunners of the American tanker Petrolite sunk near Gibraltar have now been accounted for and reported well.

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Christian Science Society.—Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Subject: "God the Preserver of Man." Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. The reading rooms are open daily from 2 to 4 p. m. Testimonial meetings are held every Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

St. Mark's Church.—Sunday, June 17, Holy communion, 8 a. m. Sunday school, 10 a. m. Morning prayer and sermon, 11 a. m. Evening prayer and sermon, 7:30 p. m. Rev. Harlan Bailey, vicar.

Presbyterian Church.—Sunday school 10 o'clock. It is important that all scholars be present, as we plan for a social occasion, Christian Endeavor 6:30. Church services at the usual hours. At 11 o'clock the pastor will speak on "The True Way to True Knowledge." At the evening hour, "God's Presence in Present History." Prayer meeting is held Thursday evening of each week. We will gladly welcome all to these services. Rev. Ralph W. Bayless, pastor.

Application No. 4458.  
Notice of Application for Permission to Appropriation of the Public Waters of the State of Nevada.  
Notice is hereby given that on the 1st day of June, 1917, in accordance with Section 23, Chapter 140, of the Statutes of 1915, one W. H. Berg, of Round Mountain, County of Nye, and State of Nevada, made application to the State Engineer of Nevada for permission to appropriate the public waters of the State of Nevada. Such appropriation is to be made from Granite Canyon, at a point south 11° 40' 00" from S. 50 degrees W. 1700 feet from the SE. corner of Sec. 24, T. 14 N. R. 34 E. M. 10 R. & M. County of Nye, State of Nevada, by means of a dam, and on-twentieth cubic feet per second is to be conveyed to a point bearing N. 52 degrees W. 1000 feet from point of diversion, by means of a pipe line, and there used for milling purposes, water to be returned to stream at a point bearing N. 52 degrees W. 1000 feet from point of diversion.  
Date of 1st publication, June 16, 17.  
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